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July 20, 2006

First Named Inventor

Jeffrey P. Reistroffer

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**ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)**☐

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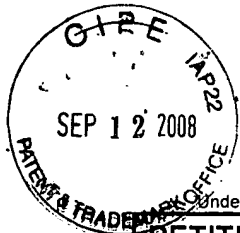
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**PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT  
ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)**

Docket Number (Optional)

REI06-0001

First named inventor: Jeffrey P. Reistroffer

Application No.: 10/597,346

Art Unit: N/A

Filed: July 20, 2006

Examiner: N/A

Title: LINEAR INCENDIARY STRAND AND METHOD FOR PRESCRIBED FIRE IGNITION

Attention: Office of Petitions

**Mail Stop Petition**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

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**APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION**

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- (1) Petition fee;
- (2) Reply and/or issue fee;
- (3) Terminal disclaimer with disclaimer fee - required for all utility and plant applications filed before June 8, 1995; and for all design applications; and
- (4) Statement that the entire delay was unintentional.

**1. Petition fee**

☒ Small entity-fee \$ 770 (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.

☐ Other than small entity - fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR 1.17(m))

**2. Reply and/or fee**

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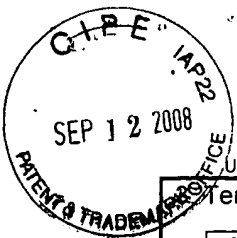
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4. STATEMENT: The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. [NOTE: The United States Patent and Trademark Office may require additional information if there is a question as to whether either the abandonment or the delay in filing a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional (MPEP 711.03(c), subsections (III)(C) and (D)).]

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Enclosures: ☒ Fee Payment☐ Reply☐ Terminal Disclaimer Form☐ Additional sheets containing statements establishing unintentional delay☒ Other: Letter to USPTO dated 9/8/08: Affidavit of Antoinette M. Tease:**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION [37 CFR 1.8(a)]**

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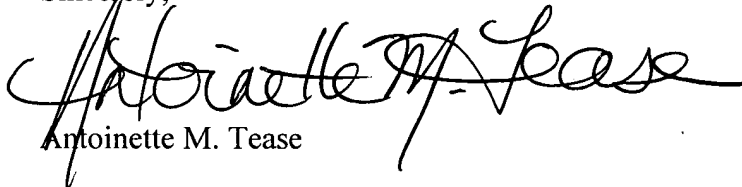
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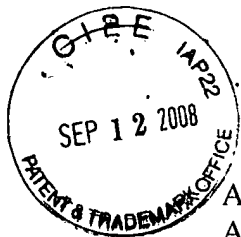
This letter is being submitted in support of the petition to revive the above-referenced application. I am the attorney of record in the above-referenced application, and we never received the Notification of Insufficient Fees dated December 4, 2007. We did, however, receive the filing receipt of the same date. An affidavit to this effect is enclosed herewith. Accordingly, we respectfully request a refund of the \$770 petition fee. Thank you for consideration of our request.

Sincerely,



Antoinette M. Tease

Enclosure (1)



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**U.S. Patent Application No. 10/597,346**

**Title: LINEAR INCENDIARY STRAND AND METHOD FOR PRESCRIBED  
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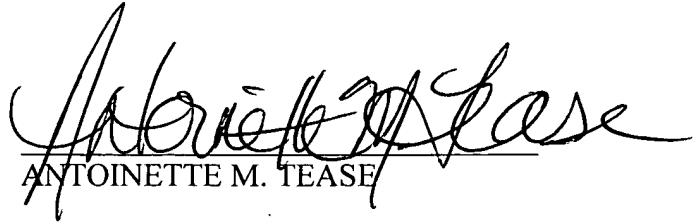
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**Filing Date: July 20, 2006**

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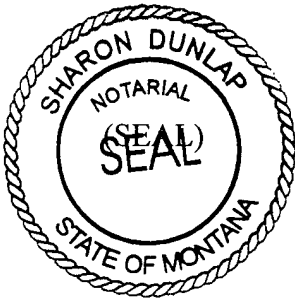
1. My name is Antoinette M. Tease, and I represent the applicant in connection with the above-referenced patent matter.
2. This application was filed on July 20, 2006, and I did not receive the filing receipt until nearly seventeen (17) months later. In early December, 2007, I received a three-page filing receipt dated December 4, 1007. According to the patent office records, a Notification of Insufficient Fees was also mailed by the patent office on December 4, 2007. I never received the Notification of Insufficient Fees. It was not in the envelope with the filing receipt, and we did not receive the Notification in a separate envelope.
3. I received a Notification of Abandonment on September 2, 2008, after no notice from the patent office that an excess claims fee of \$150 was due.

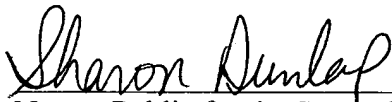
Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2008.

  
ANTOINETTE M. TEASE

STATE OF MONTANA     )  
                                      : ss  
County of Yellowstone    )

Subscribed and sworn to me this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2008.



  
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